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ROME: PLS PASS TO CONSUL GENERAL JOHN DI SCIULLO

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SUBJ: CITY OF GENOA AWARDS COLUMBUS INTERNATIONAL
COMMUNICATIONS PRIZE TO THE INTELSAT, WASHINGTON DC.

1. THE CITY OF GENOA HAS ANNOUNCED THE WINNERS OF THE PRIZES TO BE AWARDED DURING THE COLUMBUS DAY CELEBRATIONS IN GENOA OCTOBER 12, 1978: RECIPIENT OF THE PRESTIGIOUS, CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS PRIZE IS THE INTELSAT CORPORATION OF WASHINGTON, D.C. THE PRIZE, WHICH INCLUDES A GOLD MEDAL AND A CHECK FOR LIRE 5 MILLION (APPROX. DLRS. 6,100.00), IS AWARDED ANNUALLY TO WHOMSOEVER HAS CONTRIBUTED IN A REMARKABLE WAY, BY SOME INITIATIVE, DISCOVERY OR RESEARCH, DURING THE PRECEDING FOUR YEARS, TO THE PROGRESS OF COMMUNICATIONS AMONG MEN, BE IT IN THE TECHNICAL OR SCIENTIFIC FIELDS OR SOCIALLY, TO ACHIEVE THE SHORTENING OF DISTANCES AND COOPERATION AMONG PEOPLES. THE CITATION TO INTELSAT READS
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INTELSAT - AN INTERNATIONAL CONSORTIUM OF OVER ONE HUNDRED COUNTRY MEMBERS, WHICH BY THE REALIZATION OF THE GLOBAL COMMERCIAL COMMUNICATIONS SATELLITE SYSTEM, CONCRETELY PROMOTED THE GENERAL DEVELOPMENT OF INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS ALL OVER THE WORLD INCLUDING THOSE COUNTRIES WHICH ARE GEOGRAPHICALLY ISOLATED AND HAVE LIMITED FINANCIAL RESOURCES.

2. PAST WINNERS OF THIS COLUMBUS INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS PRIZE HAVE INCLUDED: 1977-LLOYD S REGISTER OF SHIPPING# 1976- DR. CARL S. MILLER, DUPLICATING PRODUCT DIVISION OF 3M CENTER, ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA - FOR THE THERMOFAX PROCESS# 1975- DR. ANDREW VITERBI, PROFESSOR OF SYSTEMS ENGINEERING, UCLA - FOR COMMUNICATIONS THEORY# 1974- ACADEMY OF SCIENCES OF THE USSR. OTHER US WINNERS IN THE 33 YEARS HISTORY OF THIS PRIZE HAVE INCLUDED THE BELL TELEPHONE LABORATORIES (1955), ADMIRAL HYMAN RICKOVER (1957), RCA (1959), GEORGE GALLUPP (1968), STEWARD ROGERS - SEA COMMUNICATIONS-THE MANHATTAN TANKER PROJECT (1970), AND PROF. LUIGI CROCCO, AIR COMMUNICATIONS (1973).

3. THE WINNER OF THE COLUMBUS GOLDEN MEDAL IS ITALIAN PROF. EDOARDO AMALFI, UNIVERSITY OF ROME FOR HIS FUNDAMENTAL CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE FIELD OF NUCLEAR AND PARTICLE PHYSICS . IN 1977, NASA S AMES RESEARCH CENTER, SUNNYVALE, CALIFORNIA, WON THE COLUMBUS GOLDEN MEDAL FOR THE VIKING SPACE PROBE.

4. ITALY S WORLD CLASS FEMALE HIGH JUMPER, SARA SIMEONI, WAS SELECTED TO RECEIVE THE 1978 INTERNATIONAL SPORTS PRIZE.

5. THE THREE AWARDS WILL BE PRESENTED IN COLUMBUS DAY CEREMONIES AT GENOA S CITY HALL, PALAZZO TURSI, ON OCTOBER 12. ITALIAN PRESIDENT SANDRO PERTINI WILL PRESENT THE AWARDS.

6. ACTION REQUESTED: GENOA CITY OFFICIALS REQUEST INTELSAT TO SEND UNCLASSIFIED

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A RANKING OFFICIAL TO ACCEPT AWARD FROM PRESIDENT PERTINI. EMBASSY AND CONSULATE GENERAL CONCUR IN THIS REQUEST AND RECOMMEND USICA AND/OR DEPT ENCOURAGE INTELSAT TO DESIGNATE A HIGH OFFICIAL TO COME TO GENOA FOR THE AWARDS CEREMONY.NORTON

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